

Indiana GIS 2003: Securing Our Future

Map Gallery Competition

This year's Indiana GIS conference is sponsoring a "Map Gallery" competition, where the Indiana GIS community can show off its best work. The map gallery will be open to all attendees and vendors. Any organization or individual is invited to submit a map. There will be several cash prizes (ranging from \$100 to \$300) available for the best maps submitted by registered student participants. Recognition certificates will be available for other map gallery participants.

The purpose of these awards is to promote interest in map design and to recognize significant design advances in cartography. You should create a poster combining a map with some explaining texts. Note that this competition is for map design, so judging will be based on cartographic design criteria, such as creativity, text, balance, unity, clarity, use of color, title, and subject matter. In any case, please contain your work inside a **4-foot by 8-foot (landscape) rectangle** area. Noted cartographers and designers judge the entries based on the following criteria: color, overall design and impression, craftsmanship, and typography.

The following questions will be especially considered in the process of judging:

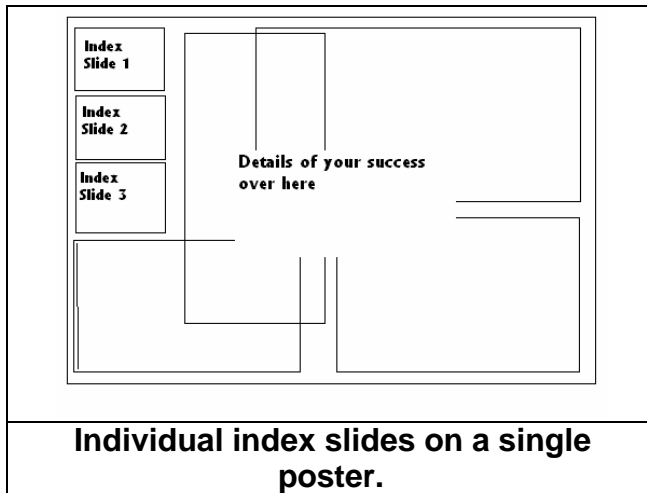
- Does the map design use the space effectively?
- Does the map communicate well to the audience?
- Does the map reflect technically correct data?
- Is the map original?

Example

Some level of consistency between displays will minimize the time that the audience needs to become acclimated to individual displays, so they can get to the guts of your success stories as efficiently as possible. Separate explanation slides placed next to your map are suggested to achieve this.

These suggested slides could be categorized as

- (1) Statement of the "problem" and optionally an additional slide depicting life before GIS.
- (2) How GIS was used to resolve the problem, and
- (3) Benefits to the audience. Ideally, these explanation slides would be positioned on the left side of either the entire 4'x8' poster board or included on the left side of the map exhibit.



It is understood that not all map exhibits will lend themselves to this kind of presentation. These are merely suggestions.

Registration

Please indicate your entries to Map Gallery Competition to:

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We will provide boards and Velcro, and you will be responsible for hanging your poster and taking it down. The Map Gallery will be open Thursday, Feb 27, 2003. Please hang your map before 9:30 AM Thursday and remove it after 1:30 PM Friday, before the conference closing at 3:30.